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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
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Stewart COLE et al.)
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Serial No. 09/673,476) Group Art Unit: 1634
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Filed: November 30, 2000) Examiner: A. Chakrabarti

For: A METHOD FOR ISOLATING A POLYNUCLEOTIDE OF INTEREST FROM THE
GENOME OF A MYCOBACTERIUM USING A BAC-BASED DNA LIBRARY,
APPLICATION TO THE DETECTION OF MYCOBACTERIA

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to an Office Action dated December 17, 2002 (Paper No. 15), and
pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, applicants submit the following amendments and
remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10, 12, 14-50 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

11. (Amended) A purified polynucleotide, comprising an Open Reading Frame
contained within SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the polynucleotide is selected from:

(a) nucleotide 1,695,944 through nucleotide 1,696,441 of the *Mycobacterium*

tuberculosis chromosome;

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